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### USAID HOLDS TRAINING ON PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Ashgabat – December 10, 2008 – The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) conducted project development training for local experts in the fields of health care, business, and agriculture, who had formerly participated in the USAID Community Connections Program. The training aimed to enhance participants' skills in designing and conducting successful projects.

During the training, USAID program's alumni learned about the concept of project development and its components, planned and developed projects in their professional fields, and discussed mobilization of resources at the local level through collaboration with various sectors. "I have received a professional consultation about how to develop and evaluate projects. This information could be applied to both nonprofit and commercial sectors", said one of the participants Dovletgeldi Chopanov .

To date, the USAID Community Connection program, made possible by the American people, has sent 113 Turkmen specialists to the United States for professional training in the fields of community activism, HIV/AIDS and other infectious disease prevention, small business development, food processing, agricultural credit, maternal and child health, school management, agriculture, mass media, and tourism.

This training course is one of the many activities made possible with support of the American people through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). USAID programs support the country's community organizations, help agricultural enterprises to improve their productivity and competitiveness, and assist the Government of Turkmenistan in its efforts to adopt international health care practices.